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SUBJECT: MEETING BETWEEN UNESCO DG M'BOW AND MADAME LAMBERT, ISRAEL

- 1. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED BY JONES FROM FOBES, M'BOW MET ALONE WITH MADAME LAMBERT ON FRIDAY, MAY 23. FOBES WAS UNCERTAIN WHETHER SHE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY PERMREP YAPOU. M'BOW IS TREATING MEETING AS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND FOBES' REPORT IS BASED ON ONLY WHAT HE HAS BEEN ABLE TO GATHER FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH M'BOW.
- 2. ACCORDING TO FOBES, M'BOW IS HIGHLY PLEASED WITH HIS MEETING WITH MADAME LABERREB IT WAS A LONG MEETING, FRANK AND CANDID. EVIDENTLY THE DOOR WAS OPENED FOR A VISIT BY PROF. LAMAIRE AND POSSIBLY OTHER REPRESENT-TATIVES. IT IS FOBES IMPRESSION THAT SUCH A VISIT WILL NOT HAVE TO BE BASED ON ANY EXCHANGE OF LETTERS OR REFERENCE TO RESOLUTIONS. FOBES SAID HE UNDERSTOOD M'BOW IS NOW ATTEMPTING TO CONTACT DR. LAMAIRE TO DIS-CUSS A POSSIBLE VISIT. IT IS FOBES' IMPRESSION THAT BOTH SIDES HAVE RETAINED THEIR FREEDOM OF ACTION, BUT THAT NO OBSTACLES HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE WAY OF RE-SUMING UNESCO'S PRESENCE IN JERUSALEM SO LONG AS IT IS NOT ACCCMPLISHED UNDER THE GENERAL CONFERENCE RESOLU-CONFIDENTIAL

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- 3. FOBES FURTHER STATED THAT M'BOW WARNED THE ISRAELIS OF THEIR INCREASED ISOLATION.
- 4. COMMENT: THIS IS A PRELIMINARY REPORT AND WE WILL SEEK MORE DETAILED INFORMATION. HOWEVER, IT SEEMS AS IF THE DOOR IS NOW SLIGHTLY AJAR AND WE MAY EXPECT SOME POSITIVE EFFORTS AT RECONCILIATION.
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